

A/ adaptable to a branch-specific individual process for said knowledge-based advising, managing and/or controlling.

45. The data processing system as claimed in claim 44, wherein said business process comprises a product production process.

46. The data processing system as claimed in claim 37, wherein said interactive access to said database comprises a communication network.

47. The data processing system as claimed in claim 46, wherein said communication network is the Internet or a company-internal intranet.

48. The data processing system as claimed in claim 37, wherein said at least two parties comprise one or more members of company management, project teams, suppliers, customers and/or advisers.--

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**REMARKS**

Claims 1-24 have been revised to conform to standard U.S. practice and replaced by claims 25-48. The amendment thus would create no estoppel and would not limit applicability of the doctrine of equivalents.

No new matter has been added.


Applicant submits that the application is now in condition for examination on the merits. If the Office has questions, Applicant invites the Office to call the undersigned at (202) 974-6018.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-2475 for any fee  
deficiency.

Respectfully submitted,

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